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SUBJECT: FY 75 DEFENSE ASSISTANCE TO VIETNAM (DAV): ONE-FOR-ONE
REPLACEMENT

REF: (A) CINCPAC 102352Z AUG; (B) JCS 5242/022321Z AUG

1. PARA 5 OF REF A STATES THAT "FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONE-FOR-ONE REPLACEMENT POLICY ESTABLISHED TO MAINTAIN RVNAF AT 27 JAN 73 ON-HAND LEVELS FOR ARMAMENTS, MUNITIONS, AND WAR MATERIAL NO LONGER APPLIES;" AND BASES THIS POSITION ON REF B.

2. WE OF COURSE RECOGNIZE THE REALITY OF FUNDING CONSTRAINTS. HOWEVER, OUR MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO THE RVN IS BASED ON ARTICLE 7 OF THE AGREEMENT ON ENDING THE WAR AND RESTORING THE PEACE IN VIETNAM, WHICH SPECIFICALLY PERMITS "REPLACEMENT OF ARMAMENTS, MUNITIONS, AND WAR MATERIAL...ON THE BASIS OF PIECE-FOR PIECE..." WE SHOULD NOT THEREFORE ADOPT FORMULATIONS WHICH SUGGEST IN ANY WAY THAT WE ARE NO LONGER INTERESTED IN EXERCISING A RIGHT WE HAVE UNDER THE PARIS AGREEMENT. MOREOVER, NOTWITHSTANDING CURRENT FUNDING LIMITATIONS, THERE COULD WELL BE A MAJOR CHANGE IN THE SITUATION WHICH, AMONG OTHER THINGS, MIGHT MEAN THAT THE US WOULD

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WISH AND BE IN A POSITION TO MAKE REPLACEMENTS UP TO THE LIMITS

PERMITTED UNDER THE AGREEMENT. THEREFORE, DESPITE FISCAL
LIMITATIONS EXISTING AT THIS TIME ONE-FOR-ONE REPLACEMENT CANNOT
BE ELIMINATED AS A PLANNING FACTOR.

3. MISSION SUGGESTS STATE AND DEFENSE REVIEW THIS MATTER SO THAT
WE ARE SURE WE KNOW WHERE WE ARE GOING.
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